

A regular meeting of the Cultural Heritage Commission convened at 8:37 A.M.

PRESENT: COMMISSIONERS: Julie Bartolotto
Laura Brasser
Doris Felix
Ana Maria McGuan
Dan Pressburg
Laurence Watt
William Wynne
Layne Johnson, Chair

EX OFFICIO: Stanley E. Poe

ABSENT: " : Mike Burrous
Kay Cofield
Kevin Doherty
Karen Highberger
Geoff McIntosh
Kerrie Weaver (Excused)
Kevin Motschall, Vice Chair (Excused)

ALSO PRESENT: Cindy Thomack, Neighborhood and Historic
Preservation Officer
Angela Reynolds, Advance Planning Officer
Nancy Muth, Deputy City Clerk

Chair Johnson presiding.

AFFIDAVIT OF SERVICES

Commissioner Pressburg moved, seconded by Commissioner Brasser, that the Affidavit of Service for the September 22, 2004 meeting, be received and filed:

AFFIDAVIT OF SERVICE

STATE OF CALIFORNIA }
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES } SS
CITY OF LONG BEACH }

LARRY G. HERRERA, being first duly sworn, deposes and says: That he is the duly appointed and acting City Clerk of the City of Long Beach, California; and that as such City Clerk did give notice to each member of the Cultural Heritage Commission of the City of Long Beach of a special meeting of the Commission, ordered and called by Chair Layne Johnson; said meeting to be held in the Main Library Conference Room, 101 Pacific Avenue, Long

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Beach, California, at the hour of 6:00 P.M. on the 22nd of September, 2004, by delivery by U.S. Mail to each member of the Cultural Heritage Commission of the City of Long Beach, a copy of the within and annexed order calling the special meeting, as follows, to wit:

Julie Bartolotto	P. O. Box 1869	L.B.	September 17, 2004
Laura Brasser	115 West 4th Street, No. 307	L.B.	September 17, 2004
R. Michael Burrous	1207 Termino Avenue	L.B.	September 17, 2004
Kay Cofield	2699 E. 28th Street, No. 416	L.B.	September 17, 2004
Kevin Doherty	380 Roswell Avenue	L.B.	September 17, 2004
Doris Felix	407 E. Sixty-Third Street	L.B.	September 17, 2004
Karen Highberger	3632 Cerritos Avenue	L.B.	September 17, 2004
Layne Johnson	251 Junipero Avenue	L.B.	September 17, 2004
Ana Maria McGuan	800 E. Ocean Blvd., No. 210	L.B.	September 17, 2004
Geoff McIntosh	42 La Linda Drive	L.B.	September 17, 2004
Kevin C. Motschall	134 La Verne	L.B.	September 17, 2004
Dan Pressburg	167 E. South Street	L.B.	September 17, 2004
Laurence Watt	3957 Gaviota Avenue	L.B.	September 17, 2004
Kerrie Weaver	3741 Lewis Avenue	L.B.	September 17, 2004
William Wynne	622 E. 36th Street	L.B.	September 17, 2004
Stanley E. Poe	144 Savona Walk	L.B.	September 17, 2004

/s/ LARRY G. HERRERA
City Clerk

Prepared by: Nancy E. Muth

Carried by unanimous vote.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Commissioner Pressburg moved, seconded by Commissioner Wynne, that the minutes of the meeting held September 19, 2004, be approved as amended, and the minutes of September 22, 2004, approved as submitted. Carried by unanimous vote.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

There was no public participation.

Commissioner Burrous entered.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Limit Discussion Time of Items on Agenda

Commissioner Burrous spoke regarding the numerous items on recent agendas, the review and research for projects prior to the meetings, and limiting of project application discussion during the meetings to ten minutes each; and responded to questions.

Commissioners Highberger and Doherty entered.

A discussion of the issue ensued.

Commissioner Burrous moved, seconded by Commissioner Pressburg, that discussion of project applications be limited to ten minutes per item, with the stipulation that the time could be extended on a case-by-case basis through a motion by any Commissioner and a majority vote of the Commission. Carried by the following vote:

AYES:	COMMISSIONERS:	Bartolotto, Burrous, Doherty, Felix, Highberger, Pressburg, Watt.
NOES:	"	: Brasser, McGuan, Wynne, Johnson.
ABSENT:	"	: Cofield, McIntosh, Weaver, Motschall.

Certificate of Appropriateness for Additions/Alterations, 3702 Rose Avenue

Cindy Thomack, Neighborhood and Historic Preservation Officer, presented the staff report, a copy of which was received and made a part of the permanent record.

Stanley E. Poe, Ex Officio Commissioner, presented the ad hoc committee report; distributed an information packet regarding dog-ear fencing, a copy of which was received and made a part of the permanent record; and indicated that the dog-ear fence was compatible and appropriate for the neighborhood.

Janet Richardson, 3702 Rose Avenue, owner, explained that the fence would be constructed alternating dog ear and flat boards, and that all existing fencing would be removed and new construction initiated.

Commissioner Brasser moved, seconded by Commissioner Pressburg, that the Certificate of Appropriateness for additions and alterations at 3702 Rose Avenue be approved as submitted, with the fence construction to be alternating dog-ear and flat boards,

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and painted white to match the house trim, consistent with Secretary of Interior Standards. Carried by unanimous vote.

Certificate of Appropriateness for New Construction, 2767 East Ocean Boulevard

Cindy Thomack, Neighborhood and Historic Preservation Officer, presented the staff report, a copy of which was received and made a part of the permanent record.

Commissioner Watt presented the ad hoc committee report, a copy of which was received and made a part of the permanent record.

Commissioner Wynne spoke from a written response to public concerns outlined in the letter from Doug Otto, dated September 15, 2004, a copy of which was received and made a part of the permanent record.

Commissioner Cofield entered.

Commissioner Burrous moved, seconded by Commissioner Pressburg, to extend the discussion time on agenda Item 5.C. Carried by unanimous vote.

Roger Kurath, Design 21, 4240 Via Marina, No. 14, Marina Del Rey, architect, distributed and discussed the landscaping plan, a list of plants, and revised drawings for the main residence, a copy of which was received and made a part of the permanent record; and responded to questions.

Commissioner Brasser moved, seconded by Commissioner Wynne, that the Certificate of Appropriateness for the main residence at 2767 East Ocean Boulevard be approved as submitted on the revised drawings of October 20, 2004, showing height of 17 feet for the front portion and 31-1/2 feet for the back portion of the structure, landscaping excluded, and based upon Secretary of Interior Standards 2, 3 and 9 and Bluff Park Ordinance C-6835.

A discussion ensued regarding the revised height of the main residence.

Helena Segelhorst, 2828 East First Street, expressed concern regarding the public's disadvantage having not received and reviewed the October 20, 2004 drawings.

Isaac Waxsel, 2695 East First Street, distributed and discussed a diagram regarding massing of the project, a copy of which was received and made a part of the permanent record; and spoke regarding the character and make-up of the neighborhood, the changes taking place in the District, and the inappropriate use of landscaping to reduce the massing impact.

Gary Lamb, 4281 Second Street, architect, spoke in support of the project.

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Doug Otto, 111 West Ocean Boulevard, Suite 1300, requested that the item be laid over to the next meeting to allow the community time to review and provide input on the revised drawings.

A discussion ensued regarding the project height, definitions for scale and massing, and notification and involvement of the community; and Roger Kurath, Design 21, responded to comments and questions.

Commissioner Bartolotto moved, seconded by Commissioner Pressburg, to extend the discussion time on agenda Item 5.C. Carried by unanimous vote.

As an amended motion, Commissioner Brasser moved, seconded by Commissioner Wynne, that the Certificate of Appropriateness for the main residence at 2767 East Ocean Boulevard be approved as submitted on the revised drawings of October 20, 2004, showing a height of the structure from the sidewalk of 17 feet for the front portion, 31-1/2 feet for the back portion, and 35 feet for the roof access; that the Commission understands the definition of scale as height and that the height was consistent with the adjacent two-story properties, and the definition of mass was the relationship of various parts of the home to each other and adjacent properties, which was consistent with the modern cubes and rectangles of the Irving Gill home; that the scale and mass increase was consistent with prior Commission approvals in the Cal Heights Historic District; landscaping was excluded, and approval was based upon Secretary of Interior Standards 2, 3 and 9 and Bluff Park Ordinance C-6835. The amended motion failed by the following vote:

AYES:	COMMISSIONERS:	Brasser, Burrous, Cofield, Felix, McGuan, Wynne.
NOES:	"	: Bartolotto, Doherty, Highberger, Pressburg, Watt, Johnson.
ABSENT:	"	: McIntosh, Weaver, Motschall.

A discussion ensued regarding the problematic issues of the project and Roger Kurath, Design 21, indicated the owners' desire to work with the Commission to find a solution.

Commissioners Wynne and Felix and Chair Johnson volunteered to act as a new ad hoc committee to meet with the applicant and the neighborhood association to find a solution.

Commissioner Pressburg moved, seconded by Commissioner McGuan, that the Certificate of Appropriateness for new construction at 2767 East Ocean Boulevard be laid over to the November meeting. Carried by the following vote:

AYES:	COMMISSIONERS:	Bartolotto, Burrous, Cofield, Doherty, Felix, Highberger, McGuan, Pressburg, Watt, Wynne, Johnson.
NOES:	"	: Brasser.
ABSENT:	"	: McIntosh, Weaver, Motschall.

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Roger Kurath, Design 21, distributed and discussed the changes to the townhouses, copies of which were received and made a part of the permanent record.

Certificate of Appropriateness for Additions/Alterations, 1351 East Ninth Street

Cindy Thomack, Neighborhood and Historic Preservation Officer, presented the staff report, a copy of which was received and made a part of the permanent record.

Commissioner Burrous moved, seconded by Commissioner Pressburg, that the Certificate of Appropriateness for additions and alterations at 1351 East Ninth Street be tabled until the next Commission meeting. Carried by unanimous vote.

Certificate of Appropriateness for Additions/Alterations, 2721 East Ocean Boulevard

Cindy Thomack, Neighborhood and Historic Preservation Officer, presented the staff report, a copy of which was received and made a part of the permanent record.

Christina Martinez, 2721 East Ocean Boulevard, owner, spoke regarding the roof materials, and the style and materials for the front door.

A discussion ensued regarding the proposed materials.

Commissioner Burrous moved, seconded by Commissioner McGuan, that the Certificate of Appropriateness for additions and alterations at 2721 East Ocean Boulevard be approved as submitted, with the stipulation that the existing cedar shake roof was replaced with the Sequoia composition shingle in the weathered wood color and the existing front door with a painted wood door, with door design returned to staff for approval, based on Secretary of Interior Standards No. 6. The motion failed by the following vote:

AYES:	COMMISSIONERS:	Burrous,Doherty,Johnson.
NOES:	"	: Bartolotto,Brasser,Cofield,
		Felix,Highberger,McGuan,
		Pressburg,Watt,Wynne.
ABSENT:	"	: McIntosh,Weaver,Motschall.

Commissioner Burrous moved, seconded by Commissioner Pressburg, that the Certificate of Appropriateness for additions and alterations at 2721 East Ocean Boulevard be approved as submitted, with the stipulation that the existing cedar shake roof be replaced with similar product, fire rating at owner's discretion, and the existing front door replaced with a painted wood door, with the door design returned to staff for approval, based on Secretary of Interior Standards No. 6. The motion carried unanimously.

**Conceptual Review of a Certificate of Appropriateness for Additions/Alterations,
3760 Orange Avenue**

Cindy Thomack, Neighborhood and Historic Preservation Officer, presented the staff report, a copy of which was received and made a part of the permanent record.

Jeff Blumberg, 25023 Andrea Avenue, Lomita, owner's representative, provided historic information for the structure, and responded to questions.

A discussion ensued regarding the appropriate architectural styles for Orange Avenue in the Cal Heights Historic District; and direction and information was given to Mr. Blumberg regarding reviewing the surrounding neighborhood to assist with redesigning the project.

Certificate of Appropriateness for Additions/Alterations, 444 St. Louis Avenue

Cindy Thomack, Neighborhood and Historic Preservation Officer, presented the staff report, a copy of which was received and made a part of the permanent record.

Commissioner Pressburg moved, seconded by Commissioner Watt, that the Certificate of Appropriateness for additions and alterations at 444 St. Louis Avenue be laid over to the next meeting. Carried by unanimous vote.

Certificate of Appropriateness for Additions/Alterations, 741 Temple Avenue

Cindy Thomack, Neighborhood and Historic Preservation Officer, presented the staff report, a copy of which was received and made a part of the permanent record; and noted plan problems revealed at plan check.

Todd Tran, 741 Temple Avenue, owner, spoke regarding the changes from the previous plans; and responded to questions regarding the windows, the attic vent and the second story balcony.

Commissioner Burrous moved, seconded by Commissioner Pressburg, that the Certificate of Appropriateness for additions and alterations at 741 Temple Avenue be laid over to the next meeting, with applicant to return with complete detailed drawings. Carried by the following vote:

AYES:	COMMISSIONERS:	Bartolotto,Brasser,Burrous,Cofield, Doherty,Highberger,McGuan, Pressburg,Watt,Wynne.
NOES:	"	: Felix,Johnson.
ABSENT:	"	: McIntosh,Weaver,Motschall.

NEW BUSINESS

Application for a Mills Act Contract, 1345 Linden Avenue

Cindy Thomack, Neighborhood and Historic Preservation Officer, presented the staff report, a copy of which was received and made a part of the permanent record.

Tina Coover, 1345 Linden Avenue, owner, spoke regarding the work program and responded to questions.

Commissioner Burrous moved, seconded by Commissioner Pressburg, that the Mills Act application for 1345 Linden Avenue be approved as submitted. Carried by unanimous vote.

Application for a Mills Act Contract, 640 West Eighth Street

Cindy Thomack, Neighborhood and Historic Preservation Officer, presented the staff report, a copy of which was received and made a part of the permanent record.

Commissioner Pressburg moved, seconded by Commissioner Burrous, that the Mills Act application for 640 West Eighth Street be approved as submitted. Carried by unanimous vote.

Consideration of Support for National Register Nomination

Cindy Thomack, Neighborhood and Historic Preservation Officer, presented the staff report, a copy of which was received and made a part of the permanent record.

Commissioner McGuan moved, seconded by Commissioner Pressburg, that the Commission support the application for nomination of the Bembridge House to the National Register of Historic Places. Carried by unanimous vote.

Certificate of Appropriateness for Additions/Alterations, 3305 East First Street

Cindy Thomack, Neighborhood and Historic Preservation Officer, presented the staff report, a copy of which was received and made a part of the permanent record.

Robert Stewart, 3620 Long Beach Boulevard, Robert Stewart Architects, spoke regarding the proposed front yard retaining wall.

A discussion ensued regarding the construction and materials for the wall and the proposed gate.

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Commissioner Doherty moved, seconded by Commissioner Wynne, that the Certificate of Appropriateness for the additions and alterations at 3305 East First Street be denied as submitted, based upon Secretary of Interior Standards No. 2 and 3 and Bluff Park Ordinance C-6835, paragraph 2. Carried by unanimous vote.

In response to Mr. Stewart's inquiry regarding the rear gate at the garage, it was unanimously agreed that the gate design would be returned to staff for approval.

Certificate of Appropriateness for Additions/Alterations, 528 West Eighth Street

Cindy Thomack, Neighborhood and Historic Preservation Officer, presented the staff report, a copy of which was received and made a part of the permanent record.

Zoot Velasco, 528 West Eighth Street, owner, spoke regarding the proposed garage design and responded to questions.

Commissioner Cofield retired.

A discussion ensued regarding the garage door and overall materials, the roof pitch and light fixtures.

Commissioner Bartolotto retired.

Commissioner Burrous moved, seconded by Commissioner McGuan, that the Certificate of Appropriateness for the additions and alterations at 528 West Eighth Street be approved as submitted, with the stipulations that exterior electrical fixtures were excluded, that the roof hip and pitch, the rafter tail detail, the composition shingles, the wood siding and the color match the existing residence, no clip-cut corners on the garage door, and details on both wood doors returned to staff for approval. Carried by unanimous vote.

Certificate of Appropriateness for Signage, Walker Building

Cindy Thomack, Neighborhood and Historic Preservation Officer, presented the staff report, a copy of which was received and made a part of the permanent record.

Bill Lindborg, Borg Long Beach Development Corporation, 322 Pine Avenue, spoke regarding the proposed signage and responded to questions.

A discussion ensued regarding the font size and pitch used for the signs.

Due to time constraints, Chair Johnson suggested that a special meeting might be needed to complete the remaining agenda items.

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Commissioner McGuan moved, seconded by Commissioner Brasser, that Items 6.G. through 6.L. be held over to a special meeting to be scheduled at a time to be determined. Carried by unanimous vote.

Commissioner Brasser moved, seconded by Commissioner Pressburg, that the Certificate of Appropriateness for the signage at the Walker Building be approved as submitted with the Serif font and blue neon back lighting, with the exception of the "I Sold It" sign. Carried by unanimous vote.

Commissioner McGuan moved, seconded by Commissioner Watt, that the "I Sold It" sign be accepted as it exists. The motion was defeated by the following vote:

AYES:	COMMISSIONERS:	Burrous, McGuan, Watt, Wynne.
NOES:	"	: Doherty, Felix, Highberger, Pressburg, Johnson.
ABSENT:	"	: Bartolotto, Cofield, McIntosh, Weaver, Motschall.
ABSTAINED:	"	: Brasser.

Commissioner McGuan moved, seconded by Commissioner Burrous, that the "I Sold It" sign be approved as is, with the condition that the "on eBay" portion of the sign match the Serif font of the other signs. Carried by the following vote:

AYES:	COMMISSIONERS:	Burrous, Felix, Highberger, McGuan, Pressburg, Watt, Wynne, Johnson.
NOES:	"	: Doherty.
ABSENT:	"	: Bartolotto, Cofield, McIntosh, Weaver, Motschall.
ABSTAINED:	"	: Brasser.

At 1:07 P.M., Chair Johnson declared the meeting adjourned.